

**MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
BEGINS TECHNICAL REVIEW OF
INTERNATIONAL PAPER COMPANY'S PERMIT APPLICATION**

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources (department) has begun a technical review of a hazardous waste permit application, submitted by International Paper Company (IPC) in March 2004. The facility is located at 2609 S. Rangeline Road in Joplin, Missouri. IPC submitted this application for renewal of their existing hazardous waste permit for post-closure care, which expired August 22, 2004. The public is invited to review and offer written comments on the permit application.

IPC is an active wood treating facility that treats telephone poles. At one time, the facility contained nine surface impoundments previously used for recovery and waste disposal. The surface impoundments were closed under Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) closure requirements and guidance. IPC is currently monitoring and maintaining two landfarms that contain contaminated soil. The soil is contaminated with several wood treatment chemicals. The landfarms were closed and capped, allowing for reuse of the overlying areas. The hazardous waste permit for post-closure care includes operation and maintenance of a corrective action program that addresses releases from past operations, including groundwater contamination, and any future releases that should occur at the facility.

The public can review and copy the permit application and supporting documents at the following locations:

Joplin Public Library
300 S. Main Street
Joplin, Missouri

Hours: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday and Thursday
9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday
1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday

or, by appointment at either of the following department offices:

Southwest Regional Office
2040 W. Woodland
Springfield, Missouri
Phone: (417) 891-4300

Hazardous Waste Program
1738 East Elm Street (lower level)
Jefferson City, Missouri
Phone: (573) 522-3345

As mentioned before, the public is invited to review and offer written comments on the permit application. Comments are effective if they point out legal or technical mistakes in the permit application.

Please send written comments to:

Brian McCurren
Missouri Department of Natural Resources
Hazardous Waste Program
P.O. Box 176
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Anyone may call or write Mr. McCurren at any time to request to have his or her name placed on IPC's mailing list. By doing this, they will receive notice from the department or IPC on any major permitting activities at the facility.

For more information, call Mr. McCurren at (573) 751-3553 or 1-800-361-4827.